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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**  
**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED**  
**EXAMINING GROUP 1733**

**PATENT**  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 7040.0023.01

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

In re Application of: )  
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Renato CARETTA et al. )  
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Application Serial No. 09/840,095 ) Group Art Unit: 1733  
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Filed: April 24, 2001 ) Examiner: Knable, G.  
)  
For: A METHOD FOR MAKING TIRES )  
FOR VEHICLE WHEELS )

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the  
Examiner's Final Office Action mailed November 19, 2003.


The items checked below are appropriate.

1. [X] A Petition for Extension of Time to extend the period for response to May 19, 2004, is enclosed, together with a three-month extension fee of \$950.00.
2. [ ] A Petition for Extension of Time to further extend the period for response to May 19, 2004, is enclosed, together with an extension fee of \$0.00.
3. [X] The Appeal Fee of \$330.00 is enclosed.
4. [X] A check in the amount of \$1,280.00 to cover the above-listed fees is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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